

Bethlehem Zoning Hearing Board to continue taking testimony on Abraham Atiyeh's request for Special Exception for Residential Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation facilities in our neighborhood, next to our schools.

For the 28-bed Rehab facility at 2110 Center Street , the hearing is at

Time: 6:00PM, Tuesday, October 16th, 2012

Where: 2nd Floor Meeting Room at the Public Library, 10 E. Church Street, Bethlehem.

For the 47-bed Rehab facility at 2349 Linden Street, the hearing is at

Time: 6:00PM, Thursday, October 18th, 2012

Where: Town Hall, 10 E. Church Street, Bethlehem.

NOTE THE DIFFERENCE IN LOCATIONS FOR THE TWO MEETINGS.

This is your time to speak. Come and express your opposition. Points to make:

- Your opinion should be listened to—you are a neighbor, property owner and/or have children who attend a school near a proposed facility.
- You are concerned that this proposed development will adversely affect the public health, safety and general welfare.
- You are concerned that the individuals who will be in the residential drug and alcohol treatment facility are addicts, people with dependencies, people who have been involved in criminal activity and this will affect the neighborhood.
- You believe that the proposed treatment facilities would not be in harmony with the neighborhood.
- You believe that this proposed use is not in the best interests of Bethlehem.
- You believe that there are other locations (e.g., 825 12th Avenue) better suited to this use.
- You believe that this proposed use is not a substantial improvement to property in the vicinity.
- You believe that this use is not appropriate with regard to the character of the general vicinity.
- You believe that, especially when combined with the approved 150 bed rehab facility at 825 12th Avenue, the proposed use is too large for the area.
- You believe that there are not adequate safeguards to protect the neighborhood.
- You ask that the Zoning Hearing Board deny these applications.

More background is available at:

http://www.lehighvalleylive.com/bethlehem/index.ssf/2012/09/bethlehem_residents_again_oppo.html

"Bethlehem residents again oppose Abraham Atiyeh's drug rehab proposals", Lynn Olanoff, The Express Times, 9/19/12.

[http://www.mcall.com/news/local/mc-bethlehem-more-atiyeh-rehab-centers-](http://www.mcall.com/news/local/mc-bethlehem-more-atiyeh-rehab-centers-20120919,0,5700494.story)

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North Bethlehem Action Committee, October 12th, 2012

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